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Mrs. Margaret Edgcomb died at Personfield, Sunday, aged 104 years.

The Brockton trouble has been adjusted for this run or till next July.

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Consult our club list in making up your list of papers for another year. We club with all the leading papers and magazines.

The trouble between the Singer Manufacturing Co. of Elizabeth, N. J., and the city has been settled. The city has withdrawn its tax levy on the works.

All hopes of getting the entombed miners out of the Nanticoke mine was abandoned Tuesday night on account of another cave in and the presence of fire damp. Every effort will be made to reach them. It may be days and it may be months before it is accomplished.

In another column the Elms Hotel at Bethel is offered for sale. This house is owned by Grover & Burnham and will be disposed of at a bargain. The house has a modern kitchen and is for sale because its present proprietor is engaged in other business.

We venture to say that no town in Maine of like size has so nice a justice hall as does Bethel. "Ideal Hall," E. B. Rowe, Esq., proprietor, has been shown to all shrewd men to wear that honor. The floor is of hard wood and for dancing is perfect. It is nicely finished and furnished throughout with regard to expense. Bethel people are justly proud of this hall. There is to be a New Year's ball at this hall Friday eve, Dec. 31. Young's Orchestra of Norway furnishing music.

Gen. Beauregard will give a history of the Shiloh Campaign in the January number of the North American Review. He claims that the late General Sydney Johnson acted only as a corps commander at Shiloh. Gen. Beauregard emphatically asserts that he was commander on both days, without naming them, controverting the reports of Grant and Sherman as to the nation's forces being taken by surprise.

The local entertainment committee has issued a notice requesting all persons desiring entertainment for their legislative reunion and unable to secure rooms at the hotels, to send their names to Herbert M. Heath, Augusta, on or before Dec. 28th. To secure rooms it is absolutely necessary that visitors should comply with this notice as soon as possible, whether board is desired or simply rooms and what days.

The following are the students from Oxford Co. in Bowdoin College: Carroll M. Austin, Mexico; and Merton L. Kimball, Norway, in the class of '87; Edgar S. Barrett, West Sumner; Ernest S. Bartlett, East Stoneham; Dennis M. Cole, Fryeburg; Charles in the class of '88; Emerson L. Adams, East Dixfield; Thomas S. Crocker, Paris; Sanford L. Regis, South Paris; Charles H. Harris, E. Fryeburg; Charles H. Hersey, North Waterford; Prof. G. Russell and Frank M. Russell, Lowell Centre; Sidney G. Steacy, Kezar Falls; and Verdict O. White, East Dixfield, in the class of '89.

Lynn vs. the Rural Districts.

The following extracts from the Lynn Saturday Union of Dec. 16th, relative to the business prosperity of that city may be of interest to the people of Norway and vicinity, inasmuch as it shows the amount of that city regarding country shoe work, after speaking of the general prosperity of the city it says:

"An advancement in the business line was no doubt somewhat checked by the removal of a large amount of shoe business into the country towns of Maine and New Hampshire. A number of manufacturers maintain leases of factories in these places for ten or more years. The inducement offered by the townspeople, such as factory accommodations and taxes free as it were, has been the cause of influences are slowly working into these places it is more than probable that the shoe business in the country will be forced to pay Lynn prices in the country. Should such a state of affairs be brought about the manufacturers would find it much for their interest to do all their work in Lynn, where it is well known, the best class of shoe workmen in the country are to be found. But manufacturers in the country towns do not believe labor unions can ever thrive so successfully therein as in this other large cities, hence the elements are not right," say the Knights of Labor members.

Spinney & Co. continued to manufacture their own grade of shoes in Lynn, the Norway farmers, essaying those of a cheaper pattern. Finally there was a strike in the Norway factory. The labor unionists having developed some strength in the conservative town. The Lynn labor unionists, to make a long and short story, decided to strike the Lynn factory if Spinney & Co. did not accede to the demands of the Norway workmen.

Spinney & Co. thought it not good policy to remain in a position where the Lynn factory could be used to regulate labor troubles in Norway. It was decided to locate the entire business at one point. As in their opinion labor troubles could be best handled at Norway, they decided to locate there, their business required to be worth a million dollars a year, and give up the Lynn factory.

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